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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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FOR: PHOSPHORYLATED POLYMERS AND

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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

In response to the Office Action (Paper No. 11) mailed on November 20, 2002, the period for response there having been extended so as to expire on May 20, 2003 pursuant to Applicants' Petition for Extension of Time filed concurrently with this Reply, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows.